

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CYNTHIANA-HARRISON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Registration is required for some library programs. Call the library at (859) 234-4881 to reserve your spot.
All library programs are free unless otherwise noted.
Holiday Closures:
December 12: HCPL is closed 9 a.m.-noon
December 24 and 25: HCPL is closed
December 31: HCPL closes at 5 p.m.
Friday, December 12, voting ends for the Doll House Holiday Makeover Contest

YOUTH PROGRAMS:
Perler Bead Ornament Making
Wednesday, Dec. 17 at 5 p.m. This craft is for school age children.

A Visit from Jack Frost Breakout Game
Friday, Dec. 19 at 4 p.m. Jack Frost can be a bit mischievous and likes to play tricks. Put your warmest thinking cap on and break out of Jack Frost's freeze. All youth ages are invited!

Homeschool Explorers
Monday, Dec. 22 at 11 a.m. This program will be all about binary code.

Noon Year's Eve Party
Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 11 a.m. Families are invited to celebrate the New Year at the library! There will be a story time, craft, dancing, and snacks. The kiddos will practice counting down... and will count down to noon when the balloon drops!

STORY TIMES:
Thursday, Dec. 18 at 9:30 a.m.

TEEN PROGRAMS:

Mellow Mondays
Monday, Dec. 15 at 3:45 p.m. Hang out, chat, craft, play and enjoy snacks in the Activity Room open just for teens.

MONTH-LONG PASSIVE PROGRAMS:
Santa's Story Station
Santa's mailbox at the library will be open to letters but especially inviting submissions of short stories or poems inspired by the holiday season, Santa, Christmas, winter, or magic to be compiled into a community anthology.
Santa, Mrs. Claus, or one of the reindeer or elves will write back. Replies will be posted on Fridays! All ages welcome.
Holiday Card Collection:
Decluttering? Want to recycle your Christmas cards? Bring them to Bri at the librar! She is collecting holiday cards for a craft in the works. Thanks in advance!

ADULT PROGRAMS:
Tai Chi Meditation in Motion
Wednesdays, Dec. 17, and 31 at 9 a.m. Improves balance, lessens stress and tones the body-you can stand or sit-certified Tai Chi instructor Joedie Thayer will teach this class. Registration required.
Chair Yoga
Mondays- Dec. 15, 29; Wednesdays- Dec. 17, 31; Friday, Dec. 19 at 10 a.m. Relax, rejuvenate, and revitalize! Designed for all ages and abilities, Chair Yoga offers a gentle yet effective way to experience the benefits of yoga without ever leaving your seat. Registration required.
Christmas Book Basket Giveaway
Through Monday, Dec. 15. For every hygiene item you bring in, you receive a ticket into the Christmas themed book basket giveaway. The hygiene products go in our Comfort Catalog, which is a FREE resource for the

community
Crochet Connection
Thursday, Dec. 18 at 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Join Jaelyn to learn how to crochet and master new techniques! Free granny square bag patterns will be provided. Experienced crocheters and beginners are welcome.

Bookmobile Stops:
Thursday, Dec. 18: Data Center in Berry at 3 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 19: Clifton Village at 11 a.m. and Federal Drive at 2 p.m.

Harrison County Amateur Radio Club
Meets at 6 p.m. on the third Friday of each month at the Lair Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 3660 New Lair Road. You do not need to be a member to attend. Our vision is to have an inclusive community of amateur radio volunteers that are engaged, trained, and prepared to make a positive contribution to the local community and world at large. For more information contact Rick Mattox at 859-234-9853 or email K4HSN@OUTLOOK.COM.

Harrison County-Cynthiana United Veterans Group
Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. Join us for food and fellowship. All veterans are welcome. For more information contact Dan Haley at 859-588-7778.

Harrison County Fire Protection District, Inc., Board of Trustees
Meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the main fire station located at 1014 US Highway 62 East, Cynthiana. The public is invited to attend.

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Adult Knitting
The Harrison County Extension Office offers adult knitting classes the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

HCHS Site Based Decision Making Council
Meets the second Thursday of the month at 4:15 p.m. in the HCHS library.

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)
TOPS meets every Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. at Elmarch Methodist Church, corner of S. Elmarch & Lair. Call or Text Trudy Kelly for more information, (859) 954-0344.

Cynthiana-Harrison County Museum
The Cynthiana-Harrison County Museum is open Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
The 1949 Red Cookbook
Stop by the Harrison County Extension Office and pick up your copy featuring some of Harrison County's finest Homemaker's most delicious recipes. Cost is \$5.

Kiwanis Club
The Cynthiana Kiwanis Club is looking for new members to help develop a plan to serve and impact the future with ideas and initiatives. Contact kiwanisclubofcynthiana@gmail.com or Robbie Morris at (859) 420-2307. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Biancke's Restaurant.

Alcoholics Anonymous
In-person meetings will be held Wednesdays and Sundays at 7 p.m. at 118 North Walnut Street, Cynthiana. For more information call (859) 559-5368.

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for Humane Society
The Harrison County Humane Society is collecting pop cans to help cover the cost of the spaying and neutering of animals in Harrison County. The trailer is located in the Save a Lot parking lot.

Pop Cans: Cynthiana Baptist Church
The church is collecting pop cans and aluminum for service ministry. There is a bin in the parking lot at 212 E. Pleasant St., Cynthiana.

Free Exercise Oncology Class
Harrison Memorial Hospital offers a free exercise oncology class every Wednesday at 1 p.m. at HMH The Cottages. The class is designed for cancer patient and survivors to aid in recovery.

The class is eligible for HMH Care-A-Van services. If you would like a free ride call 859-298-2700.

Participants must have physician's clearance prior to starting the class.

Harrison County Clothing Closet
Now taking phone orders with curbside delivery at this time. Phone is (859) 943-9325. Hours are Monday and Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m. No vouchers are required. Monetary donations may be mailed to HCCC at P.O. Box 124, Cynthiana, KY 41031.

Harrison County Food Pantry
The food pantry is open on Wednesdays, from noon-3 p.m. It is located at 304 North Locust Street.

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For more information call 859-235-HOPE. Hope's Helping Hands is an agency member of God's Pantry.

Flora Shropshire Animal Shelter
Hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon.
On Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon you're invited to Coffee with Cats. Hang out with the felines in the renovated cat room and enjoy a cuppa.
On Sundays, the Flora Shropshire Animal Shelter offers a Borrow-a-Buddy

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Harrison County Emergency Management Department [in accordance with National Flood Insurance Program regulation 65.7(b)(1).] hereby gives notice of Harrison County's intent to revise the flood hazard information, generally located in the vicinity of Old Lair Road bridge over the South Fork Licking River. Specifically, the flood hazard information will be revised along the South Fork Licking River from a point approximately 3,000-ft downstream of Old Lair Road to a point approximately 11,000-ft upstream of Old Lair Road. As a result of the revision, the floodway will widen, the 1-percent annual-chance water-surface elevations shall increase and decrease, and the 1-percent-annual-chance floodplain will widen within the area of revision. Maps and detailed analysis of the revision can be reviewed at the Harrison County Emergency Management Office at 313 Oddville Avenue, Cynthiana, KY 41031. Interested persons may call the Emergency Management Director at 859-234-7180 for additional information from December 5, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice to Harrison County Taxpayers
The 2023 Independent Auditors report for the Harrison County Sheriff's Tax Collection is now complete. A copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information is on file at the Harrison County Sheriff's Office and is available for public inspection during normal business hours. Any citizen may obtain a copy of the complete audit report for personal use from the Harrison County Sheriff's Office. Any citizen requesting a personal copy of the audit report will be charged \$0.25 cents per page. Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public at no cost at 113 W Pike Street, Cynthiana KY 41031

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How communities benefit when consumers spend local
When consumers think about which stores to patronize, locally owned businesses may be the smartest option for a number of reasons - not the least of which is the way such enterprises benefit the communities they call home.

More money kept in the community
Spending locally means that more money will stay in the community. According to recent research from Civic Economics, local eateries return nearly 79 percent of revenue to the community, compared to just over 30 percent for chain restaurants. Overall, for every \$100 spent at a local business, around \$73 remains in the community, versus roughly \$43 when shopping at a non-locally owned business.

Get a personal touch
Local business owners typically are inclined to go the extra mile for their customers and are personally invested in the services and products they are selling. As a result, shopping locally tends to be a personalized experience. Furthermore, a local business owner may be more amenable to ordering products for specific clientele. Such personalized service is typically not accessible when shopping big box stores or other shops where owners are off-site.

Lines are short
Waiting in long lines for checkout or to pick up merchandise ordered online can drain consumers' energy and contribute to stress. Local businesses tend to have short lines and small crowds, which can lead to

a more pleasant shopping experience.

Generates tax revenue
Local businesses generate more tax revenue per sales dollar, according to Rubicon, a digital marketplace for waste and recycling businesses. Taxes paid by local small businesses go to support schools, parks, roads, and other programs that benefit the community as well.

Support nonprofits
Local businesses often support good work in the community, such as nonprofit groups. These can include schools and sports teams, among other groups. According to Dr. Sue Lynn Sasser, professor of economics at

the University of Central Oklahoma, studies indicate nonprofits "receive 250 percent more support from small businesses than larger ones."

Support other local businesses
Local business support other local businesses by buying and selling among each other. A local, independently owned restaurant may source its ingredients from local farms, which means visitors to such eateries are supporting multiple local businesses each time they dine out. Small businesses are a boon to the economy, particularly local economies. These enterprises help their communities in a multitude of ways.

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